Mountain Weather Forecast

Northwest Highlands

Including Sutherland, Ben Wyvis, Wester Ross, The Cuillin, Glen Affric, Glen Shiel and Knoydart
Forecast valid from 00:00 on Friday 11 Aug 2023 until 23:59 on Saturday 12 Aug 2023

Forecast Issued on Thursday 10 Aug 2023 at 13:55 by Met Office Aberdeen

Confidence: High for change to unsettled conditions, lower for detail of rainfall.

Headline for Friday 11 Aug 2023: Rain clearing to sunshine and scattered showers.

Mountain weather hazards on Friday 11 Aug 2023

Blizzards
No Likelihood

Heavy persistent snow
No Likelihood

Storm force winds
No Likelihood

Gales
No Likelihood

Severe chill effect
No Likelihood

Poor visibility
Low Likelihood

Thunderstorms
Low Likelihood

Heavy persistent rain
Low Likelihood

Strong sunlight
High Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation at 800m							
Time							
00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
Partly cloudy (night)	Heavy Rain	Light rain	Sunny intervals	Light rain showers	Sunny intervals	Heavy rain showers	Cloudy
Precipitation probability							
30%	60%	50%	30%	40%	30%	40%	30%

Forecast for Friday 11 Aug 2023

Weather: Becoming increasingly cloudy from the south through the early hours, with a band of rain following behind. This will be heavy initially but easing by morning. Rain clearing the north by around mid-morning with prolonged sunshine behind. Scattered showers will develop from late morning, persisting through the afternoon, with the chance of thunder.

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 800m: Generally 80% but decreasing to 40% on the rain band.

Low cloud and visibility: Scattered or broken low cloud, base 500-700m, in association with early morning rain. Visibility generally good but reducing to moderate or poor in heavy rain, temporary reductions in showers.

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Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph)					Wind Direction (blowing from)			
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1000	24/30 SE	22/27 SE	23/29 SW	21/29 SW	24/33 SW	23/31 SW	20/27 S	21/28 S	19/25 S
900	22/27 SE	20/25 SE	22/29 SW	20/28 SW	23/32 SW	22/31 SW	19/26 S	20/26 S	18/24 S
600	14/19 SE	12/17 SE	16/23 SW	17/24 SW	18/27 SW	18/27 SW	15/22 S	13/20 S	12/19 S
300	2/18 SE	3/17 SE	7/22 SW	8/22 SW	9/27 SW	9/25 SW	6/19 S	3/18 S	5/17 S
Glen	6/17 SE	7/17 SE	10/20 SW	10/20 SW	12/24 SW	11/23 SW	8/18 S	8/18 S	8/19 SE

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)								
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1000	13/9	12/8	11/7	9/5	10/5	10/6	10/6	9/5	9/5
900	13/10	12/9	11/8	10/6	10/6	11/7	11/8	10/6	9/6
600	16/13	15/13	13/10	12/9	13/10	14/11	13/11	12/10	12/9
300	17/18	16/17	14/14	14/13	16/15	17/15	16/15	14/14	14/13
Glen	20/20	18/18	16/15	17/16	18/16	19/17	18/17	16/16	16/15
Freezing Level*	3100m	3100m	2900m	2000m	2200m	2200m	2300m	2500m	2500m

**Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.*

Met Office Aberdeen Meteorologist's View
Nothing to add.

Forecast for Saturday 12 Aug 2023
Weather: Further heavy, showery rain expected Saturday morning, this turning to showers during the afternoon with bright or sunny interludes. Risk of thunder. Best of the drier conditions in the far north. Becoming mainly dry with clear spells into the evening.

Maximum wind: Southerly 15-20 mph gusting 30-35 mph during the morning.

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 800m: 60-70%

Low cloud and visibility: Scattered or broken low cloud, base 600-800m, mainly in association with rain during the morning but some lingering into the afternoon. Visibility reducing to moderate or poor in rain or showers.

Temperature: **Glens:** Plus 12 rising to plus 18 Celsius
At 800m: Plus 8 rising to plus 12 Celsius
Freezing level: Above summits

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